



15W

Attorney Docket No. 1614.1148

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Patent Application of:

Ikuko TACHIBANA et al.

Application No.: 09/813,962

Group Art Unit: 2181

Confirmation No.: 2846

Filed: March 22, 2001

Examiner: Niketa I. Patel

For: REMOTE MAINTENANCE APPARATUS, TERMINAL CONNECTED TO THE  
APPARATUS AND COMPUTER READABLE MEDIUM FOR REALIZING THE  
APPARATUS AND THE TERMINAL

**RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450


Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed February 7, 2007, applicants elect Species II (Fig. 5), without traverse. Claims 1, 4, 6, and 14 are readable thereon.

Respectfully submitted,

STAAS & HALSEY LLP

Date: 3-6-07

By:   
Aaron C. Walker  
Registration No. 59,921

1201 New York Ave, N.W., 7th Floor  
Washington, D.C. 20005  
Telephone: (202) 434-1500  
Facsimile: (202) 434-1501